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Request for Reconsideration

Applicants provide the present response to address the issues raised in the Office Action mailed August 23, 2005.

If any extension of time for the accompanying response or submission is required, Applicants request that this be considered a petition therefor. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee, which may be required, or credit any refund, to Deposit Account No. 50-0220.

A **Listing of Claims** is provided for the Examiner's convenience beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.